

DIARY NOTES

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26 February 1957

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1. [] and I briefed Mr. Dulles on the results of the Building Steering Committee Meeting held on Monday and obtained his approval for the Public Buildings Service to send Harrison & Abramovitz a letter suggesting that consideration be given to certain changes in design. (Mr. Dulles actually read the proposed letter and approved of it.) Have advised Len Hunter of the Public Buildings Service that as soon as he dispatches the letter we would like him to telephone either Wally Harrison or Max Abramovitz, tell them the letter is en route, and arrange for a meeting as soon as they have received it. H

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2. [] was up to show me the "character and level" paper for 1959 which has been prepared by the Office of the Deputy Director (Plans). Noting that it provided for about a [] increase in funds for the DD/P complex and some increase in personnel, I told [] to be sure to point out to [] that I thought this was inconsistent with the Director's current policy. I also noted that the Comptroller had made no comments to this effect, and I must speak to Ed Saunders about being more specific in his remarks on these things.

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3. [] was in to see me about a job, and after talking to him briefly I turned him over to Mr. [] in the Office of Personnel. I feel reasonably sure that we cannot use him, but he was most anxious to fill out the necessary papers and to have his application considered.

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4. [] was in to see me again. He wants very much to be in the Administration Career Service and to have an overseas assignment. I gave him no encouragement but did say that I would speak to [] about the matter and ask [] to tell him 25X1A frankly whether he thought he had any chance of making this switch in the foreseeable future. 25X1A

5. Met with Norman Paul, Gordon Stewart, [] to discuss our proposed legislation. I was in error before in understanding that the Bureau of the Budget had accepted our retirement formula. The fact is that they accepted everything else but questioned seriously the retirement formula. After some discussion we agreed that it was better to go back for an oral session rather than write a letter. At this stage we have devised a new retirement plan which we believe asks for nothing more than the Foreign Service and USIA have already. Norman Paul will make the necessary arrangements to carry on with this matter.

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6. I advised General Cabell of my talks with Gordon Stewart and [] concern-

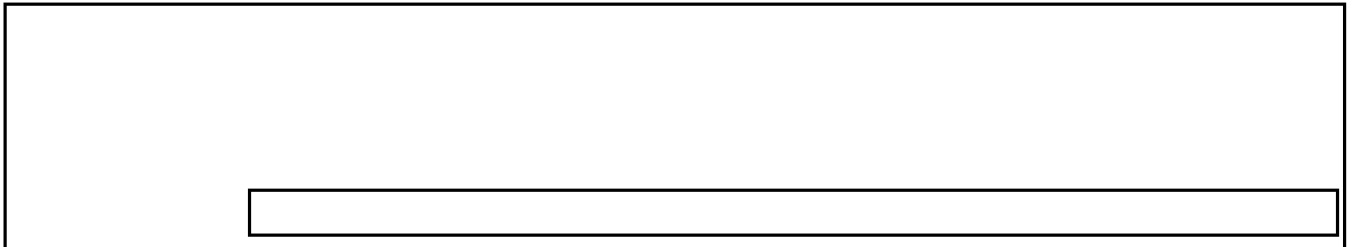
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ing the relationship of the GEHA Board to the Director of Personnel. He thinks that this is probably all right but believes that we should still have some piece of paper which sets out the relationship.

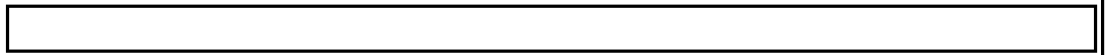
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